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<i>Application Number</i>	09/730,708
<i>Filing Date</i>	December 6, 2000
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Martin C. GREEN
<i>Art Unit</i>	1754
<i>Examiner Name</i>	HENDRICKSON, Stuart L.
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	96005CIP(3600-337)

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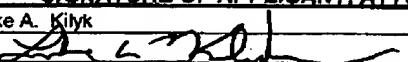
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to further examination of the above-identified application on the merits in view of the RCE filed herewith, the applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.